Identity-Based Encryption: A Long Term Perspective
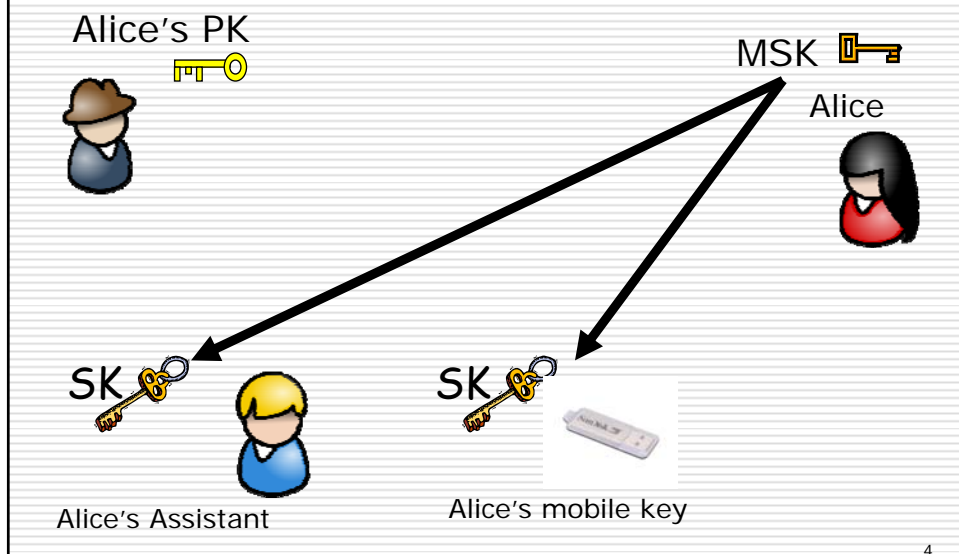
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What is IBE?

Traditional View

Key Authority

MSK 🔑

PK 🔑

SK 🔑

SK 🔑

sarah@yahoo.com

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Managing Your Own Data

Alice's PK
🔑

MSK 🔑

Alice

SK 🔑

SK 🔑

Alice's Assistant

Alice's mobile key

Application versus a Technology

- ☐ Mistake not to separate

- ☐ Think bigger!

- ☐ Need to undo bias

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Three Reasons to Like IBE

Several Applications

- ☐ Key Insulation/Forward Security [CHK03...]

- ☐ Searching on Encrypted Data [BDOP04]

- ☐ Malware Resistance [CDDLLW07]

- ☐ Note: none of these have trusted auth.

Big Conceptual Idea

- ☐ The breakthrough in encryption

- ☐ Open for 17 years

- ☐ I like big ideas!

Thinking Back to Public Key Crypto

☐ Before: Do we really need it?

☐ Engineer around it?

☐ Now:
- SSL
- Software Patches

Thank you